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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

In a meeting with Assistant Secretary of State Holdridge today, in response to my question on topics on his mind on which the Community might help, he mentioned:

- Indonesia: His concern here is its longer term stability.
- ASEAN: He suggested the possibility of an IIM on its viability.
- Japanese Defense Prospects: He suggested that it might be useful, after the current flurry on this subject, to take a look at this topic.
- Internal Situation in Vietnam: He mentioned the view (attributed to [redacted], that its bad economic situation and poor prospects for help from the Soviet Union, was having a sobering effect on some of the Vietnamese leaders.

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pls send a copy of this  
memo to the appropriate  
officers in NFAC

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